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SHOCKING STORY OF DESPAIR AND DEATH NARRATED

London—A shocking story was told of death and cannibalism in Russia to the Associated Press by William Shafroth, son of ex-Governor Shafroth of Colorado who has arrived in London after a year's work with the American relief administration in the Russian famine regions.

The desperate people are eating human beings, diseased horses, dogs and cats, he said. Cemeteries are being dug up and long-buried bodies snatched as food. In hunger madness the population is stealing bodies from morgues and hospitals to eat as food.

Mr. Shafroth, who had charge of 20,000 Russians working for the relief administration in the Samara district, is lean and emaciated after his arduous work among the starving, dying and shelterless Russians.

But he gave ample proof that the famine sufferers did not try

to seize him for culinary purposes, as had been reported while he was in Russia. He declared however, that a Russian member of the American relief administration who died of typhus was disinterred at night and eaten by the crazed inhabitants. This gave rise to the report that Mr. Shafroth had been devoured.

"I know one instance," said Shafroth, "where a distracted mother of five children killed the youngest in order to appease the pangs of the rest of her youngsters, but the oldest, a boy, cried bitterly when he saw his mother sever his mother's head and place the body into a pot. He refused to eat the flesh."

In spite of these lamentable conditions in isolated districts, Mr. Shafroth said the general situation throughout Russia has been greatly ameliorated through the charity of the American people. The health, morale and spirit of the population were

IN MEMORY OF BRO. RILEY HODGES.

Brother Riley Hodges was the son of Gilbert and Sallie Hodges and was born the third day of March, 1890; died the 19th day of February, 1922, his age being 91 years, 11 months and 16 days. At about the age of 23 or 24 years he was married to Miss Violet Moody, and to them was given a family of ten children, six boys and four girls, the good wife and mother and four of the children preceding him to the grave, where their bodies are

much better, he said, since the American relief administration arrived ten months ago.

"America is a holy name in Russia and Americans are regarded as super-beings," said Mr. Shafroth. "People fall on their knees and kiss the earth upon which the relief workers walk. The United States can have a solemn feeling of pride in saving the Russian race from extinction."

resting until the resurrection morning.

Bro. Hodges professed faith in Christ and joined the Brushy Fork church Dec. 3, 1884, and during the 42 years of his christian life he followed very closely his Lord and Savior. There are few, if any, who has set a better example for christian living than "Uncle Riley," and in his death the church has lost one of her best members. But her loss is his eternal gain. We cannot wish him back again in this life of suffering, vexation and death, for we believe he has gone to be with Christ, which is far better. Then let us bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and try to be prepared to meet Brother Hodges on the shores of sweet deliverance, where partings are no more.

"Soldier of God, well done! Rest be thy loved employ; And while eternal ages run Rest in thy Master's joy. L. M. TRITETT, J. L. HAYES, Committee.

COUNTRY LIFE.

Let me live the years of my stay upon earth, 'way out in the country, close to nature and to nature's God. I want to feel the touch of the seasons as they come and go making the years. I want to feel the chill of winter in my frame, not too severe, but enough to make the blood tingle. I want to feel the gentle warmth of spring with her gentle touch of magic, she awakens new life in things dead. I want to feel the heat of summer, as the golden sunshine ripen the harvest and matures fruits and flowers. Lastly I want to catch the cold breath of autumn coming to fan away the heat and lethargy of summer. I want to hear the cry of whippoorwills as the twilight settles o'r the hill and hollow. I want to be near where Bob White is calling to his mate, when the fields of ripening wheat wave gently to the passing breeze. I want to hear the tinkle of bells on the distant hillside, as the sun

is going down and katydids commence their night-long chatter. Then when old Jack Frost passes by, with his touch of white, I want to wander down the old rail fence and on to where the muscadines hang in rich profusion; and there for a time fast and forget. Yet, let me live out the years of my stay upon the earth in the fullness of the country, and then, dying, let me rest in the quiet church-yard near where father and mother sleep—where the sun beams play in summer, and the snow drifts high in winter.—Phillips Brooks.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES

For the purpose of collecting the taxes for the year 1921, I will on Monday, July 3, 1922, at the Court house door of Watauga County, at 1 o'clock, p. m., sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate in Blowing Rock township, to wit:

A. S. Abernethy, one town lot	\$37.20
E. P. Colten, " "	5.29
Mrs. R. L. Honeycutt, 100 acres	17.54
Sarah Geo. Miller, town lot	1.76
W. J. Palmer, town lots	15.85
A. H. Washburn, " "	42.10
Mrs. G. M. Wiley, " "	.76

This the 3rd day of June, 1922.
J. E. Young, Sheriff

TWO-IN-ONE COMBINATION SALE

Begins Saturday June 17th, lasting 10 days

Haberdashery Sale for Men and Boy's

Silk Shirts

Lot 1. An assortment of men's and boy's dress shirts with and without collars, made of good percale and madras, value \$1.00 to 1.25
Sale price only **.75**

Lot 2. An assortment of men's dress shirts with and without collars made of nice and good goods value \$1.25 to 1.25. Sale price only **.95**

Lot 3. A small assortment of very good madras shirts absolutely fast colors \$1.50 to 2.00 value. Sale price only **\$1.25**

Lot 4. An assortment of extra high grade shirts made of madras and crepes, some with silk stripes, 2.50 to 3.50 values.
Sale price only **\$1.95**

Lot 5. An assortment of very good silk striped shirts, 3.00 to 3.50 value. Only **\$2.50**

Lot 6. The most attractive line of silk striped crepe and tussa silk shirts values 4.00 to 4.50.
Sale price only **\$2.95**

A few silk pongee shirts 5.00 values will go at this sale, only **\$3.95**

A few Jersey silk shirts, valued at 7.50, will go at only **\$4.95**

A beautiful tie will be given free with a purchase of \$3.00 in shirts.

Ties and Collars

Men's four-in-hand ties, 35c values, will go at sale, only **19c**

Men's four-in-hand wash ties, 50c values will go at only **25c**

Men's four-in-hand ties, 75c values, will go at only **49c**

Men's fibre silk knitted ties, 1.00 values will go at only **69c**

Men's knitted ties 1.50 value will go at **95c**

Pure silk knitted ties, 2.00 values, will go at **\$1.39**

Pure silk knitted ties, 2.50 value, will go at **\$1.75**

Special prices will be given to those who purchase three or more knitted ties.

A big variety of men's soft and stiff collars, Earl Wilson, Slidewell and Van Hosen brands made of high grade picque, silk, linen and silk crepe du chine will go at **13c to 49c**

Special prices will be given to those who purchase collars in half doz. lots. Collar buttons, **2 for 5c**

Cuff links, 35c value, only **25c**

Cuff links, 50c value, only **35c**

Genuine pearl cuff links 1.50 value will go at only **95c**

10c sleeve holders, only **5c**

An assortment of men's garters, Boston, Pad and Ivory makes, single and double grip, go at, per pair **10 to 50c**

The biggest variety of men's hose, cotton, lisle, fibre-silk, pure silk and Indian silk plain and fancy styles in all colors and shades, per pair **10 to 1.50**

Special prices given on half dozen cotton or 1-4 dozen silk.

Boy's Bearskin hose, sizes 9-1-2 to 11-1-2, 50 to 65c values, only **35c**

A lot of men's Balbrigan summer union suits, will go at only **50c**

High grade Nansook and Balbrigan, Hanes, Silpar and Chalmers brands, 1.25 to 1.75 values, only **95c**

Boy's union suits as low as **35c**

A big reduction on mens and young mens suits, pants, work clothes and good shoes.

Men's balbrigan under shirts, 75c value, only **35c**

20 per cent reduction on our line of tailor made clothes.

Hundreds of other bargains for men too numerous to mention for lack of space.

Free! Free!

One pair high grade Men's or Ladies' silk hose with five dollar purchase.

Opening Sale of Our Ladies' Ready-To-Wear Department

Ladies' Skirts

Ladies' white skirts made of high grade garbadine, 2.50 to 3.00 values, only **\$1.50**

Ladies' fancy checked skirts, 3.50 values, only **\$2.25**

Ladies' checked, pleated skirts, 5.00 values. Sale price only **\$3.50**

Ladies' wool pleated skirts, 7.50 val., only **\$5.50**

A very high grade of all-wool French serge skirts only **\$5.50**

A very high grade of all-wool pleated skirts, 12.50 values will go at only **\$8.50**

A few silk Jersey skirts, \$15 val., only **\$10.50**

Ladies' Waists

Ladies' voile and pongee waists and blouses, 1.25 to 2.00 values will go at only **95c**

Silk pongee waists and middies, 2.50 to 3.50 values, will go at **\$1.95**

A very attractive line of silk pongee, crepe dechine and silk striped waists, 3.00 to 4.00 values, this sale will go at only **\$2.50**

An assortment of all-silk crepe dechine waists, assorted colors, 4.50 values, will go at only **\$3.50**

A few extraordinary crepe dechine waists, value 2.00, will go at **\$1.95**

Ladies' Dresses

A beautiful assortment of Ladies' dresses, made of percale, muslin, and gingham, percale, 1.50 values, will go at only **\$1.95**

A beautiful assortment of Ladies' dresses, made of silk, 3.00 values, will go at only **\$3.50**

High grade silk pongee in latest styles, 5.00 values, only **\$5.50**

High grade silk taffeta dresses 12.00 values, will go at only **\$7.95**

High grade silk crepe dechine dresses beautifully embroidered, only **\$12.50**

Ladies' apron dresses made of very nice gingham, sale price only **95c**

Crepe kimono, 1.50 values, this sale only **\$1.10**

A beautiful line of childrens dresses will go at only **95c and \$1.25**

Ladies' Underwear

A dandy assortment of ladies' gowns and teddies, white and pink, made of nansook crepe and tussa silk, will go at **65c to 1.95**

Ladies' petticoats, white and black, made of high grade material and trimmed beautiful, will go at **65c to 1.95**

A very attractive line of braziers, corset covers and camasoles, will go at **15c to 1.25**

Ladies' and childrens' bloomers made of very good muslin and crepe, will go at **35c to 75c**

Ladies' gauze vests, regular and extra sizes, will go at **9c to 25c**

Ladies' and misses' summer union suits 50c to 75c values, will go at only **35c**

Ladies' Hose

The largest variety of ladies' hose in all colors and shades, made of cotton, lisle, fibre silk, pure silk, ingrain silk, glove silk and lace silk hose in plain and fancy designs, will go at, per pair **10c to \$5.00**

Special prices on three pair or more.

A big variety of children's and misses' hose, plain stockings, rolled tops, socks and 3-4 socks, in cotton and silk lisle, plain and fancy in all colors, will go at, per pair **10c to 50c**

Bargains in high grade ladies' trimmed hats and sailors, children's hats, corsets, all kinds of white, black, patent and brown novelty oxfords and pumps.

A beautiful assortment of all kinds of oil cloth, good goods, beautifully designed, will go at **dark 25c, light 29c**

A complete line of gingham, percales, chambrays, organdies, voiles, serges, silks, table linens, etc.

Hundreds of other items too numerous to specify.

DAVIDSON'S DEPARTMENT STORE
Boone, North Carolina